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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Three bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3189–3191, and S. Res. 471–475.

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Measures Reported:

S. 2960, to exempt aliens who are admitted as refugees or granted asylum and are employed overseas by the Federal Government from the 1-year physical presence requirement for adjustment of status to that of aliens lawfully admitted for permanent residence, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2974, to establish the Return of Talent Program to allow aliens who are legally present in the United States to return temporarily to the country of citizenship of the alien if that country is engaged in post-conflict or natural disaster reconstruction, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Measures Passed:

Airport and Airway Trust Fund: Senate passed H.R. 4957, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend authorizations for the airport improvement program, clearing the measure for the President.

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Veterans Affairs Health Care: Committee on Veterans' Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 3162, to clarify the health care provided by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs that constitutes minimum essential coverage, and the bill was then passed.

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Prevent Deceptive Census Look Alike Mailings Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4621, to protect the integrity of the constitutionally mandated United States census and prohibit deceptive mail practices that attempt to exploit the decennial census, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President.

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Haiti Debt Relief and Earthquake Recovery Act: Senate passed H.R. 4573, to urge the Secretary of the Treasury to instruct the United States Executive Directors at the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank, the Inter-American Development

Bank, and other multilateral development institutions to use the voice, vote, and influence of the United States to cancel immediately and completely Haiti's debts to such institutions, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Kaufman (for Dodd) Amendment No. 3718, to make technical corrections. Pages S2165-66

65th Anniversary of the Blinded Veterans Association: Senate passed H.J. Res. 80, recognizing and honoring the Blinded Veterans Association on its 65th anniversary of representing blinded veterans and their families, clearing the measure for the President.

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80th Anniversary of the Daughters of Penelope: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 117, commemorating the 80th anniversary of the Daughters of Penelope, a preeminent international women's association and affiliate organization of the American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association (AHEPA), and the resolution was then agreed to.

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National Childhood Obesity Awareness Month: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 412, designating September 2010 as "National Childhood Obesity Awareness Month", and the resolution was then agreed to.

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National Asbestos Awareness Week: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 427, designating the first week of April 2010 as "National Asbestos Awareness Week", and the resolution was then agreed to, after taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Kaufman (for Baucus) Amendment No. 3719, to amend the preamble. Page S2167

University of Southern Mississippi: Senate agreed to S. Res. 471, recognizing The University of Southern Mississippi for 100 years of service and excellence in higher education.

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National Safe Digging Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 472, in recognition and support of National Safe Digging Month. Page S2168

National Association of Junior Auxiliaries Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 473, designating April 4, 2010, as "National Association of Junior Auxiliaries Day". Page S2168